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little; and on the other hand, some plants receive a considerable share of required metals from local warehouses instead of having them shipped from large metallurgical plants of the South and East. For example, the "Elektroapparat" Plant received a large quantity of metal from city warehouses during 1950, which increased production costs.

Mechanization of loading and unloading operations at Leningrad warehouses of "Glavmetallobyt" has been neglected. The sorting of metals at supply bases is not well organized and requires too much time.

At a recent meeting of machine builders in Leningrad, both "Glavmetallobyt" and the Ministry of Ferrous Metallurgy were severely criticized for the failure to provide the prompt shipment of metals from metallurgical plants to supply bases and warehouses. It was suggested the "Glavmetallobyt" and its Leningrad office be given more rights for planning the output of certain types of rolled steel by small metallurgical plants in Leningrad. This would make it easier to meet the demands of machine-building plants.

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